

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 4, without prejudice, amend claims 1, 9, and 11, and add new claims 13-14 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A tire/wheel assembly having a run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein an outer peripheral surface of the run-flat support is coated with a resin layer, and

microcapsules containing a lubricant are mixed in the resin layer.

2. (Withdrawn) A tire/wheel assembly having a run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein at least a region of an inner peripheral surface of the pneumatic tire facing an outer peripheral surface of the run-flat support is coated with a resin layer.

3. (Withdrawn) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 1, wherein the run-flat support has a structure in which elastic rings are attached to end portions of open legs of an annular shell opened in a fork-shape.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Withdrawn) A tire/wheel assembly having a run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein

a cover plate rotatable in a circumferential direction is provided on an outer peripheral surface of the run-flat support.

6. (Withdrawn) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 5, wherein a lubricant and/or a bearing mechanism is interposed between the run-flat support and the cover plate.

7. (Withdrawn) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 5, wherein the run-flat support has a structure in which elastic rings are attached to end portions of open legs of an annular shell opened in a fork-shape.

8. (Withdrawn) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 5, wherein the cover plate is made of resin.

9. (Currently Amended) A run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein

the run-flat support has an outer peripheral surface coated with a resin

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microcapsules containing a lubricant are mixed in the resin layer.

10. (Withdrawn) A run-flat support inserted into a cavity section of a pneumatic tire coaxially with a rim, wherein

the run-flat support has an outer peripheral surface on which a cover plate is arranged to be rotatable in a circumferential direction.

11. (Withdrawn-Currently Amended) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 22, wherein

the run-flat support has a structure in each elastic rings are attached to end portions of open legs of an annular shell opened in a fork-shape.

12. (Withdrawn) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 2, wherein microcapsules containing a lubricant are mixed in the resin layer.

13. (New) The tire/wheel assembly according to claim 1, wherein said resin layer has at least two convex portions.

14. (New) The run-flat support according to claim 9, wherein said resin layer has at least two convex portions.